

TILLER TOPICS



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EXCITING NEWS!!

NEWS FROM OUR STAFF CAPTAIN



Bob A
Staff Captain & Sailing Contributor

Hi everyone.

It's a joy to see Tiller Topics returning in 2024 under new management. We now have a great volunteer team to put Tiller Topics back into the business of informing our members.

As a new member in 2018 Tiller Topics was the go to source for me to learn about club culture and happenings. I enjoy writing and so Tiller Topics became an outlet for some creative energy.

I hope everyone will feel they can join in and submit stories and pictures too. I look forward to working with the new team and to seeing what's next with VYC! Cheers all. 😊





READ ALL ABOUT IT **TILLER TOPICS IS BACK!**

The Tiller Topics Team is happy to announce the return of our treasured club newsletter in 2024. After several years of off-site publishing, volunteer members have stepped up to the challenge to bring you the latest news!

Check out our fab team member's stories in this edition. Our purpose is to add value to our member's experience as they read about the goings-on in the club, both past and upcoming.

Before we move ahead we'd like to thank the devoted volunteers who put their heart and soul into publishing Tiller Topics in the past! Your efforts have kept Tiller Topics "alive and well" all these years. This team will work to maintain the standard you have set.

Moving forward, our plan is to continue the bi-monthly format publishing 6 issues per year. Details on issue dates, deadlines for submitting stories, and advertising rates are included in these pages.

We hope you enjoy the 2024 Tiller Topics newsletter and perhaps you will reach deep and submit a favourite photo with a story occasionally? You can send your stories and your advertising requests to Deirdrie at [dloneyvyc\(at\)gmail.com](mailto:dloneyvyc(at)gmail.com).

Dive in!

Cheers from your *Tiller Topics Team!*



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TILLER TOPICS - Team Introductions



Detmer D –

Publisher, Layout, and
Technical Communications Manager

We are recent members of the Vernon Yacht Club (2022). When the opportunity came up to volunteer and resurrect Tiller Topics, I grabbed the opportunity with open arms, since this was definitely something in my wheelhouse.

I have been involved in graphic design and printing all of my life. My lovely wife, Teresa, and I moved to the beautiful Okanagan in 2021. I am now semi-retired, but Bob is going to make sure I won't be bored. My wife is still working from home, but wants to slow down, so we can spend more time together on the water. We have five children and three grandchildren, with two more grandchildren on the way this year. You may see them hanging out with us at the club in the future, as they have caught the 'sailing bug' as well.

Cindy R –

TT Editor/Advisor/Proof Reader for Contributors
and Snow Bird Story Contributor



I retired from School District 34, to beautiful Okanagan Lake, eight years ago, with my husband Rob. We have always loved Okanagan Lake and boating (Rob was on the Fireboat squad with the VFD) so we were excited to join VYC in 2016 and enjoyed many summers in our cabin cruiser camping on the lake. However, now we have four grandchildren, who like to come and stay with us, so we have purchased a run-about, to take them tubing and water skiing. It seems every phase of boating brings out new adventures and fun.

I look forward to helping with Tiller Topics and working with this great group of volunteers to help keep all members informed about the events and stories of VYC.



Deirdrie L –

Overall Coordinator,
Story Collections and
Contributor Manager

See page 7 for
Deirdrie's introduction

*Founded June 23rd, 1953
the Vernon Yacht Club
is the HEART of
boating in the
North Okanagan.*





Sarah K –
Sales & Marketing Manager and
Ladies Night Story Contributor

I've joined the Tiller Topics team to help with advertising, a task which I will enjoy as I think there are many businesses inside and outside of our membership, who would like to communicate with boating aficionados!!

I came to live in the beautiful Okanagan 13 years ago, from the lovely but somewhat flat Ontario, and before that a land somewhat further east!! Bob and I have a big old cruiser of a sailboat (Blues in Sea) that was our introduction to the Club. We have tried for a few years to race the old lug and now we're happy to be first off the start line, even though inevitably we still manage to finish last! I'm in real estate, which nearly always means something comes up last minute on a Wednesday night just as the crew wants to be pushing out from the dock! And I do run Ladies Night every third Thursday from the Fall to the Spring.

Rebecca P –
Team Historian & Advisor, Brain Teaser Contributor

I grew up in the small town of Vavenby, BC and came to the sunny Okanagan (after a few other pit stops) in 2000. I have worked alongside my partner in crime Craig (Williams), for the last 19 years in the mortgage investment industry.



As many of you know, Craig served on the VYC board for approximately 11 years in a variety of capacities and was my biggest supporter when I took on the Tiller Topics in 2011. It sure doesn't seem that long ago but the numbers don't lie! I am back now and excited to be part of the new Tiller Team! Craig and I are lovers of travel and we are looking forward to more of our winter months in a more tropical setting. In the summer we enjoy sailing Fyfe II (not sure what happened to Fyfe I) but have not had the available time these last few years to sail her. We are hopeful to be back out on the water this year and look forward to seeing the many familiar and new smiling faces of the VYC members.

Bob A –
Executive Sponsor and
Sailing Contributor



See page 6 for
Bob's introduction



*Do you have
something to sell?*

*Share your classified
items in Tiller Topics!*



EXECUTIVE 2023/2024 - Introductions



Fred H –
Commodore

From the highly polished and cluttered desk of the Commodore, I'm Fred Haight. My Grandfather was a lobster fisherman in Nova Scotia and I have fond memories from the Bay Fundy as a small boy barely being tall enough to see over the gunwale to shore, so boating and being around water has been an enjoyable pastime.

I was introduced to the Vernon Yacht Club in 2007 at the United Way Charity regatta, met some nice people while being part of a crew in the event and was convinced to join. Getting involved with the operations started with the Boat show and then different positions on the Board and now I'm your Commodore.

Karol K –
Vice Commodore



I grew up in the Canadian north, living in a variety of places in the NWT, Yukon and northern BC, then I moved south to Prince Rupert when I graduated from high school. I went to college in Kelowna and moved to the lower mainland right afterwards.

I started my career in technology, moving into project management over time and this is the field I still work in. David and I have lived in Vernon since Jan of 2012, when we moved up from the coast. We attended the VYC boat show, joined the club that day and bought a sailboat that Fall. We sold the boat in 2017 when we both took on work contracts in Vancouver, and spent some time commuting to our cabin on the hill here in Vernon, from our little apartment in New Westminster. We are currently looking for a new boat, or possibly a boat share, but we are trying to decide between another sailboat for fun, or a pontoon boat for comfort. Right now, we are something like 54th on the waitlist for a boat slip, so we won't need to decide on the boat for a while.



Bill M –
Rear Commodore

I have lived, worked and played in the Okanagan since 2004. My wife Rosemarie has lived here since 1995. We relocated to OK Landing from Kelowna and joined VYC in 2019.

The warm feeling of VYC was definitely the attraction here. As soon as we walked in the door we were met by wonderful welcoming people whose down-to-earth reputation certainly preceded them. I joined the executive and was offered the opportunity to coordinate the volunteers for the 2023 boat show, which I thoroughly enjoyed as I was able to meet so many members. This season I stepped into the Rear Commodore role and I am enjoying it as well, with support and guidance from several members at VYC and the boating community as a whole. We're really looking forward to this coming season to see everyone on the lake, and at our club!



Liam F – VYC Fleet Captain

I grew up in Ottawa where I learned to sail on Dow's lake on the Rideau Canal, the lake is about 6 feet deep and not a particularly delightful place to fall into but I somehow still managed to accomplish that.

We moved to Vernon and joined VYC in 2014 and were lucky enough to get a slip in mid 2015, we launched in June and were greeted by several of our members who, unasked, offered to help splash the boat and step the mast, that help was much appreciated and really made us feel like we had made the right choice of clubs. We are still here, still sailing and happy to be able to volunteer our time to help with the operations of the club.

Kate has taken over the Woman's Sailing Program from Carol Craske who did an excellent job of running it for many years, she had a very successful first year in 2023 with 28 participants and is hoping for similar numbers this year. I joined the VYC board in 2020 and have been the Fleet Captain since 2022.

Pictured here is launch day 2015 with ►
Doug Stewart, Jim Dillabough,
Roger Price, Kate, and myself



Bob A – Staff Captain

I'm a fairly recent member of the Vernon Yacht Club (2018). My life partner Sarah Kennedy, convinced me that buying a sailboat was a great idea. That was easy.

Boating has been in my blood since I was a kid growing up in the Kawartha Lakes region of Ontario. VYC is a perfect place to continue to enjoy having fun on the water. We have a great bunch of people here and if you haven't noticed already the club runs on volunteer power. With that inspiration I stood for the executive committee as a director and now as staff captain. I enjoy planning and setting up events for the members, something I did as the social chairperson during my previous employment. I look forward to what's next with VYC!



Gerald G –
Past Commodore

My wife, Annie, and I have been members of the Vernon Yacht Club since 1996 and we have enjoyed the Club immensely. Annie and I have delighted in all the social events, meeting other members and forming lifetime friendships. We really take pleasure in boating and hanging out with other members who share the same interests. Annie and I are fond of volunteering at the Club that's really delightful and fun. I have been a member of the Executive Committee for about 10 years, Commodore for 4 years, and I am now the Past Commodore.

Marta B –
VYC treasurer



I have been a member of the club with my husband, Steve since 2010. We are avid boaters and strong supporters of the club and its' events, and we (along with our wonder dog, Reggie), look forward to many more happy years being involved with the club.

We are particularly proud of our groundbreaking, fully-Electric Motor Yacht, the first of its kind on the western seaboard. Stop by and see us on D-Dock for a bevy this summer!



Deirdrie L –
Secretary

Being a Kootenay Lake girl, I am new to sailing Okanagan Lake, having moved here with my husband, Thomas, in 2018. We brought the Fiji Nui from Saltspring Island to her new home in the fall of 2022 and promptly joined the yacht club. We both work full time but are super excited about spending every spare minute working on our boat and experiencing the wild, unpredictable Okanagan sailing weather!

Simon J –
Membership Director



Kim and I have been VYC members for just over two years, and Coldstream residents since the summer of 2021. We relocated from southern Ontario when I retired, and made sure to trailer 'Tabasco', our thirty ft Red Wing sailboat with us. We're thrilled to be here. Sailing the Great Lakes those years was a wonderful experience, and to any and all who have the opportunity, don't pass it up. Those lakes are small oceans and come complete with all the wind, waves, weather and memories one can imagine. Since joining the Vernon Yacht Club Kim and I volunteer with the Bill West Flashlight Brigade and can be found a couple times per month, strolling the docks, peering at flashing beacons, and checking fenders and lines. We've carved the prime rib, butchered the pig, helped with launches and haul-outs, dined and danced with the best people in town, and just generally enjoyed ourselves. We have a fun club here, so don't be shy. This place is so much more than boat moorage and storage.



Ciy Y –
Executive

I have had a diverse career spanning various fields, this included 25 years in the computer industry but now I am recently retired. I am married to Sharon with one daughter. We enjoy taking 2-3 international cruises annually. My transition from sailing enthusiast to a professional instructor has brought me great fulfillment. I have dedicated over eight years to promoting boating safety in BC. Sharon and I can be found on our pontoon boat through much of the boating season. Since 2012, Sharon and I have actively contributed to the Vernon Yacht Club, sharing our enthusiasm and expertise with the community.

Mike L –
Director



I've spent my whole career in the airline industry as a pilot. My passion with aviation started in my childhood when we lived in Bishop's Stortford, a 20 minutes bike ride to Stanstead Airport. I studied Aviation at Selkirk College in Castlegar. After graduating I was successful in getting that illusive first job flying small bush planes. Later I flew corporate jets for the BC Government. In the 80's I left the Government and joined CP Air/Canadian Airlines then in 2000 we merged into Air Canada. In my airline career I flew Boeing 737, Airbus 320, Boeing 767, and Boeing 787 Dreamliner (a truly amazing leap in technological innovation and efficiency).

In 2016, retired from active flying but stayed on part time as an instructor pilot until Covid hit, then I retired again! In 2019, we moved to Vernon and joined the Vernon Yacht Club. I am married to my wonderful wife, Oana who is a Pathologist at VJH. We have a blended family with 5 kids (3+2), aged from 36 to 27. For my club activities, last fall I moved into Keith Danielson's very big shoes as I took the reins of Crane Day. I can't thank Keith enough for keeping a close eye on me and making sure I didn't step in a pothole! I am also sitting on the Technology sub-committee, which looks to be an interesting job.

This is my first year on the executive and I hope I can do what I can, alongside the many 'un-sung heroes' that make your day-to-day boating and club life, be the best it can be. I can tell you from the inside... they all work very hard for you.



Peter W –
Director

My wife Jeanne and I have been members of the Vernon Yacht Club for approximately 14 years. Our children are grown so we sold the bow rider and now have a tri-toon. Jeanne grew up in Vernon and has lots of family and friends here, so it was a perfect place for us to retire. I also have family that have retired in Lake Country. I am on my second year as a director.

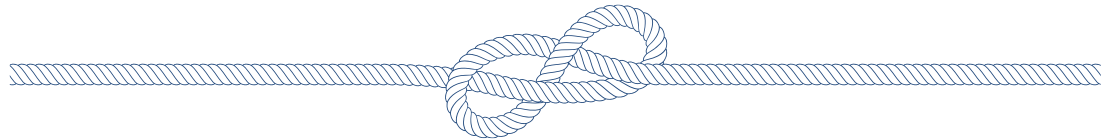


Ron R – Director

Over the years I have applied my listening and problem-solving skills in both my work and in the community. My community work has included providing critical leadership to the several community organizations including St. John Ambulance

Canada, North Shore Rescue Team, First Aid Ski Patrol, Alpine Club of Canada, West Vancouver Community Foundation, and the Canadian Club of Vancouver. My wife Katy and I finally saw the light and moved to the Interior, landing in Vernon, to be closer to our daughter, Dr. Stephanie Royston, known as the Visiting Vet. Having bought my first boat, I have changed my membership at the Vernon Yacht Club from Social to Regular Member. I look forward to contributing to the Club as one of its directors.

REPORTS



NEWS FROM OUR COMMODORE



Hello fellow boaters!

January has been a busy month for the office and for those of you that haven't met our new office manager, Marjon Flohr, please drop by and introduce yourself. For your convenience, Marjon is working longer hours on Saturday and keeping the office open until 4PM, we hope this will be a benefit for all.

Speaking of changes, our Maintenance and Grounds manager, Darcy MacPhee is also working different hours than what you may be used to, basically Tuesdays and Thursdays.

We are getting ramped up for the boating season and we are only 4 weeks away from the first boats coming out of the parking lot and back in the water. The summer calendar of events is almost complete, our Staff Captain Bob Annand will have that available for all shortly.

Prior to boating season Burton Marine will be on site completing work on relocating the log breakwater and finishing up the repairs to the old concrete breakwater that was moved this past fall. Craig Williams is in constant communication with Burton Marine and working on some additional work on A dock.

With a new season comes a fresh House Account and we encourage everyone to come out and enjoy your club! New parking stickers are available in the office and new membership cards for 2024 have been ordered, Marjon will let you know when they arrive.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the Club and on the water, get ready for the 2024 boating season!!

Fred H
Commodore

NEWS FROM OUR REAR COMMODORE



I'd thought that I would share a quick update as to what has been happening as well as what our next month or two looks like around the club facilities. During our cold snap in January a fitting in our aging radiant heating system froze and burst. Fortunately, it was discovered and repaired quickly with very little damage to the building. We are currently looking at upgrades to the system. A huge thanks to members that have helped and are still helping out to keep the snow clear around the dock, deck and building exits.

The new breakwater project has been moving along and is already protecting the docks and boats very effectively from wind and wave action. Hopefully we can add some new slips early this season with our larger footprint. Much thanks to Craig W for his dedication and diligence on this one! We will be reaching out for help to replace the remaining deteriorating rub rails, primarily on E and W docks. Liam F will likely send out a request to the affected slip users to remove their dock edge protection prior to the repairs to make a smoother transition. We will be wrapping up this spring's replacement project ahead of crane day.

Deck/dock and lot cleanup will be done in April between crane day and the upcoming VYC Boat Show. Again, we'll be looking for an army of volunteers to clear the dust, as well as droppings from our feathered friends and complete our annual spring cleaning.

Thanks again everyone,

Bill M

Rear Commodore



Boating Tip of the Month...

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FLEET CAPTAIN REPORT – LAUNCH DAY



Crane Day is not far away, this year it's scheduled for

Friday April 19th

Launch is always much more fun than haul out. Here is a link to a handy pre-launch checklist provided by the Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons (CPS) that might be useful as you do your boat prep.

Click on the www.cps-ecp.ca/ link below:

https://www.cps-ecp.ca/wp-content/uploads/236149spring_checklist15.pdf

If you are looking to augment your boating skills CPS offers a variety of courses that you can take such as Maritime Radio Certificate, Boat and Engine Maintenance, Practical Weather for Boaters, and Electronic Navigation, many of these courses are offered online and some may be run in person at our club, for more information see the CPS website, click on the link below:

<https://www.cps-ecp.ca/ecommerce/course-calendar/> or contact Doug Stewart through the VYC office.

In preparation for crane day the boats in Winter Moorage Slips need to be returned to their assigned slips by April 1st, the boats in the parking lot should be moved by the following dates:

Boats stored in the parking lot in **Row 3** should be removed by **April 1st**.

Boats stored in **Row 2** should be removed by **April 8th**.

Boats stored in **Row 1** should be removed by **April 15th**.

Boats stored on the **lawn** or **graveled areas** should also be removed by **April 15th**.

We will be assigning slips to members on the waitlist around March 15th, we currently have 85 people on the list and while we will not be able to accommodate everyone we will do our best to get as many boats in the water as we can.

Hope to see you all around the club this summer.

Liam F

Fleet Captain



STAFF CAPTAIN REPORT



Greetings All,

We all know we have a fantastic facility for enjoying waterfront activities and our social events. We also offer the facility to member and non-member private functions to increase revenue. A recent review of facilities in the valley affirmed that VYC provides top-notch amenities at a below market price point. Consequently, the executive developed a policy and revised our private function pricing to better reflect the value we offer.

We are truly fortunate to have such exceptional staff on board. They not only play a key role in planning our major events and providing exceptional service throughout the week, but they have also been integral in making Tuesday nights a more fun outing. Members both new and seasoned, have taken advantage of Tuesday Games Night and most recently Karaoke Night.

In late 2023, we faced a significant challenge regarding the fate of Tiller Topics. Amazingly the challenge was successfully met by the talents, special skills and hard work of our own members. We are back in business, thanks to these amazing people, see pages 3 and 4.

I've been encouraged by the response of members. We've seen large turnouts for the events to this point in time. Thanks go out to all the members who have assisted in every aspect of our many events.

One of the privileges of belonging to the Vernon Yacht Club is our reciprocal agreement and invitation to join with the other 5 yacht clubs to our south. Every January the staff captains get together to coordinate events such as the Commodore's Ball, boat shows, regattas, and invasions. In this edition of Tiller Topics, you will find the 2024 Okanagan Lake Yacht Clubs Schedule of Events on pages 17 and 18. Have a look and navigate your way to the social gatherings up and down the lake. Altogether, it's a good start to our social scene for 2024.

Bob A
Staff Captain

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Interested in Joining our Women's Sail/Racing 2024 Season?

Ready to feel the wind and sun while skimming over the surface of blue water this spring? Then our Women's Sail/Racing season may be for you. Our goal is to have fun and be safe while improving our sailing skills. You don't need to be a member of the *Vernon Yacht Club* to participate, though it certainly does make it easier to come and go through the marina gate. Participants should have some sailing experience or training equivalent and knowledge of sailing vocabulary.

Our women's sailing/racing 2024 season will run on **Tuesday evenings from May 7 to June 25.**

Last year we had 7 boats (all with coaches) out for our Tuesday evening events. We had a lot of fun and improved our skills too.

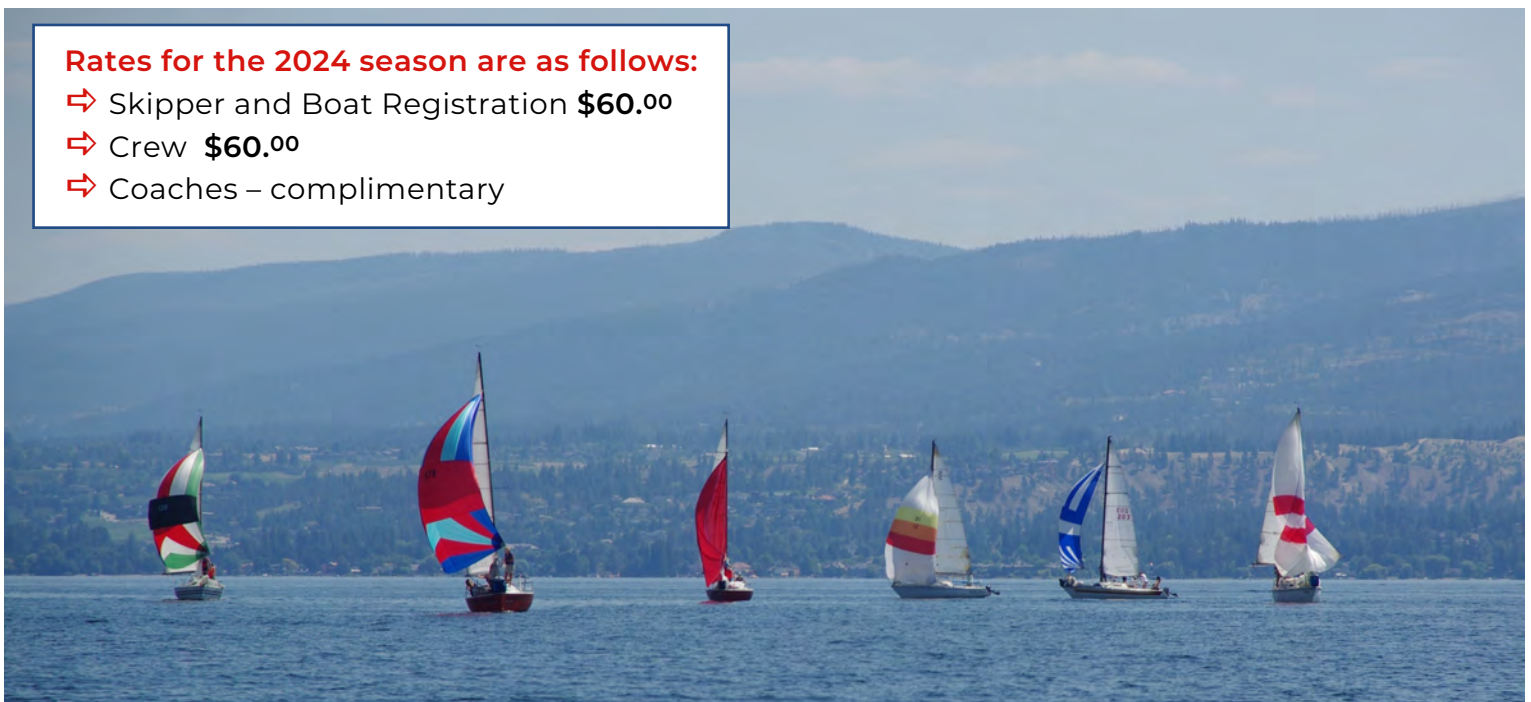


This year we are hoping to have at least 4 coached boats, and they are looking for crew. We also anticipate fielding some uncoached boats which are also looking for crew. Being on a coached boat means the women do all the sailing but with the benefit of a knowledgeable sailor on board to ensure all goes well and to help us improve.

There will be 3 weeks of practicing skills followed by 5 weeks of racing. If you are interested in participating in our 2024 women's sail/racing series, and would like to find out more we will be holding an info/registration meeting toward the end of March. In the meantime, please contact our women's sailing coordinator **K. Stefanuk** via email [kmstefanuk\(at\)gmail.com](mailto:kmstefanuk@gmail.com) to indicate your interest.

Rates for the 2024 season are as follows:

- ➡ Skipper and Boat Registration **\$60.00**
- ➡ Crew **\$60.00**
- ➡ Coaches – complimentary



Thank You!



To the 2024 Learn to Sail volunteers:
Peter Lutsch of KYC and our VYC Sailing Fleet sailors
and staff for making this event a success!

Notice of Regatta

The 2024 VYC Sailing Regatta is
May 31st, June 1st & 2nd!
Volunteers welcome. Stay tuned
here for more information:
<https://vernonyachtclub.com/vyc-sailing-fleet/vyc-okanagan-sailing-regatta/>



**Are you a
power boater,
cruising sailor or
social member
looking for a
fun event to
volunteer for?!**

We're welcoming 2024 VYC Sailing Regatta volunteers for the May 31st to June 2nd regatta weekend! To join us, please contact **Hadrian M** at: [sailing-fleet\(at\)vernonyachtclub.com](mailto:sailing-fleet(at)vernonyachtclub.com)
Thank you!!

Calling all Welder Wannabes ...

Hi members. Have a trailer to patch up? Need a little arc weld on that stainless fitting? *Okanagan College (Vernon)* is offering a comprehensive introduction to welding course. It will be modular so you can take just one or all six if you wish. Each will run one Saturday and cover various types of welding.

The first course is the prerequisite for all of the other courses as this is where all safety aspects will be covered.

This course is designed to be a type of 'Welding for Weekend Warriors' and not for people looking to obtain accredited welding courses. Check with OK college for clarification.

If interested go to Okanagan College website to create an account, or login if you already have one. Login to your account and search for the course name below.

Course Name: **TGI 023 - V01 Welding Essential Skills - One Day Course**
Course Date: **23 Mar 2024**

Mike L
Member & Wannabe Welder

Join us on **Saturday March 16,**
at the *Vernon Yacht Club* for
an unforgettable
St. Patrick's Day celebration!

St. Patrick's Day Celebration

Dia dhuit and Good Day Members,

I am thrilled to announce our upcoming **St. Patrick's Day Dinner and Dance**, set to take place on **Saturday, March 16th**, and maybe into the wee hours of March 17th. Chef Corinne has delved into her lucky charms recipes to craft the perfect meal for the occasion: Irish Bangers and Mash accompanied by a delectable onion gravy, fried cabbage, served with a potato bun, and topped off with a delightful dessert.

Entertainment for the evening will be provided by the talented trio, **Rollin' Coal**. With Sue Ruuska's captivating vocals, Art Jacob's skillful guitar and bass melodies, and Colin Moorman's dynamic guitar and saxophone performances, they are sure to keep us dancing throughout the night.

Tickets are priced at **\$45.00** each and are available for purchase now, with a limit of 2 tickets per member for the next 10 days. Following this period, members will have the opportunity to fill an entire table with guests.

Shape of the night:

- Doors open at 5:30 PM
- Dinner will be served at 6:30 PM
- Some Après-Dinner Entertainment
- Rollin Coal will start us up at 8:00 PM

For more information and to book your tickets, please visit our website's Upcoming Events page:

vernonyachtclub.com/upcoming-events/

Tickets can be purchased from the office and the bar now and your membership house account can be used for this event!

Cheers from your staff captain,

Bob A

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**St. Patrick's Day
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Saturday March 16th
Doors Open 5:30 PM
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OKANAGAN LAKE YACHT CLUBS

2024 Events Schedule

Please note, event dates are subject to change at the discretion of the individual Club.

| MONTH | DATE | EVENT | CLUB |
|-------------|-----------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| APRIL & MAY | April 27 & 28 | Kelowna Boat Show | Kelowna Yacht Club |
| | May 4 & 5 | Vernon Boat Show | Vernon Yacht Club |
| | May 17-19 | Blossom Time Regatta | Kelowna Yacht Club |
| | May 24-26 | Commodore's Weekend | West Kelowna Yacht Club |
| JUNE | May 31 – June 2 | Vernon Regatta | Vernon Yacht Club |
| | June 1 & 2 | Commodore's Ball & Sail Past | Summerland Yacht Club |
| | June 8 & 9 | Commodore's Ball & Sail Past | Kelowna Yacht Club |
| | June 8 & 9 | NOSA Springtime Regatta | North Okanagan Sailing Association |
| | June 22 & 23 | Commodore's Ball & Sail Past | Vernon Yacht Club |
| JULY | All Month | Sailing Classes | NOSA, COSA, SOSA |
| | July 7 | Bruno Lieppe Trophy | South Okanagan Sailing Association |
| | July 12-14 | Okanagan Women's Regatta | West Kelowna Yacht Club |
| | July 13 & 14 | Naramata Mug | South Okanagan Sailing Association |
| | July 13 | Invasion | Vernon Yacht Club |
| | July 20 | Commodore's Ball | Penticton Yacht Club |
| | July 22 | Poker Run | West Kelowna Yacht Club |
| | July 22-23 | Naramata Mug | SOSA |
| | July 29 | Invasion | West Kelowna Yacht Club |
| | July 30 | Bruno Lieppe Cup | Summerland Yacht Club & SOSA |
| AUGUST | August 3 | Rib-Off | Vernon Yacht Club |
| | August 9-11 | Giants Head Regatta – TBD | Summerland Yacht Club |
| | August 10 | Commodore's Ball | Peachland Yacht Club |
| | August 16-18 | Commodore's Cup Regatta | Kelowna Yacht Club |



OKANAGAN LAKE YACHT CLUBS

2024 Events Schedule

Please note, event dates are subject to change at the discretion of the individual Club.

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| SEPTEMBER | August 24 | Invasion | Kelowna Yacht Club |
| | Aug 30 – Sept 1 | Grand Prix Race | Penticton Yacht Club |
| | September 6 - 8 | End to End Regatta | Multiple Clubs |
| | September 7 | Pig Roast | Vernon Yacht Club |

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